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Covered Employment & Wages



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Introduction

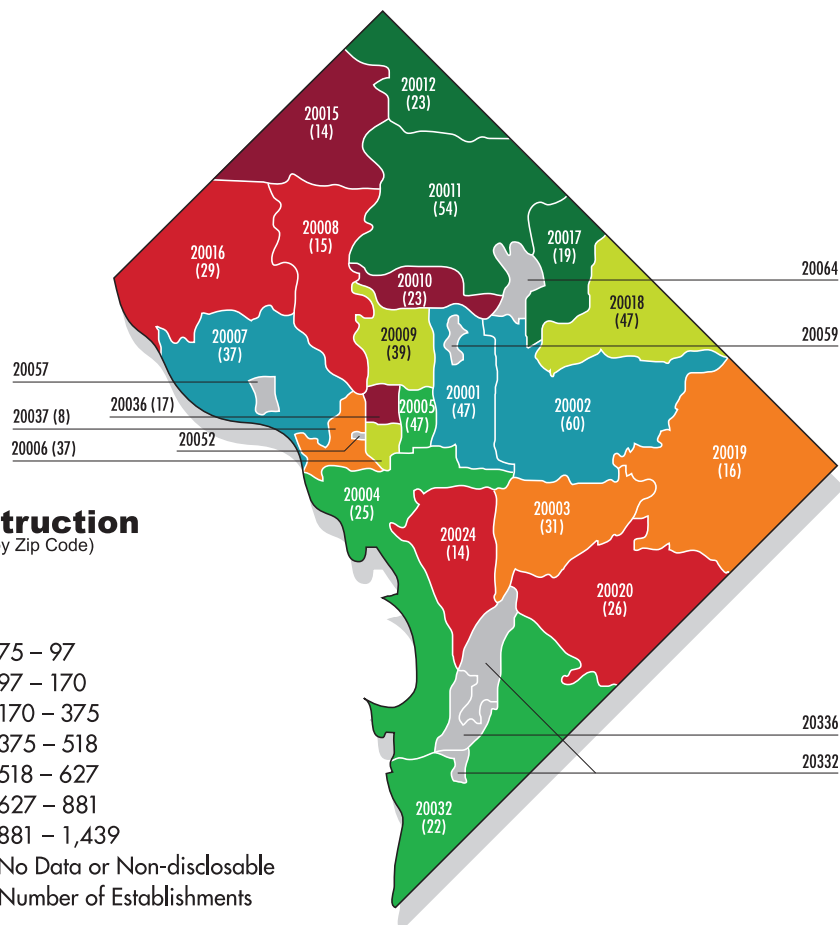
Each quarter, the D.C. Department of Employment Services (DOES) publishes the Covered Employment and Wages. These comprehensive tables of employment activities focus on government and private sectors; federal and state government; and all other sectors of the economy – products, services, financial, and leisure and hospitality.

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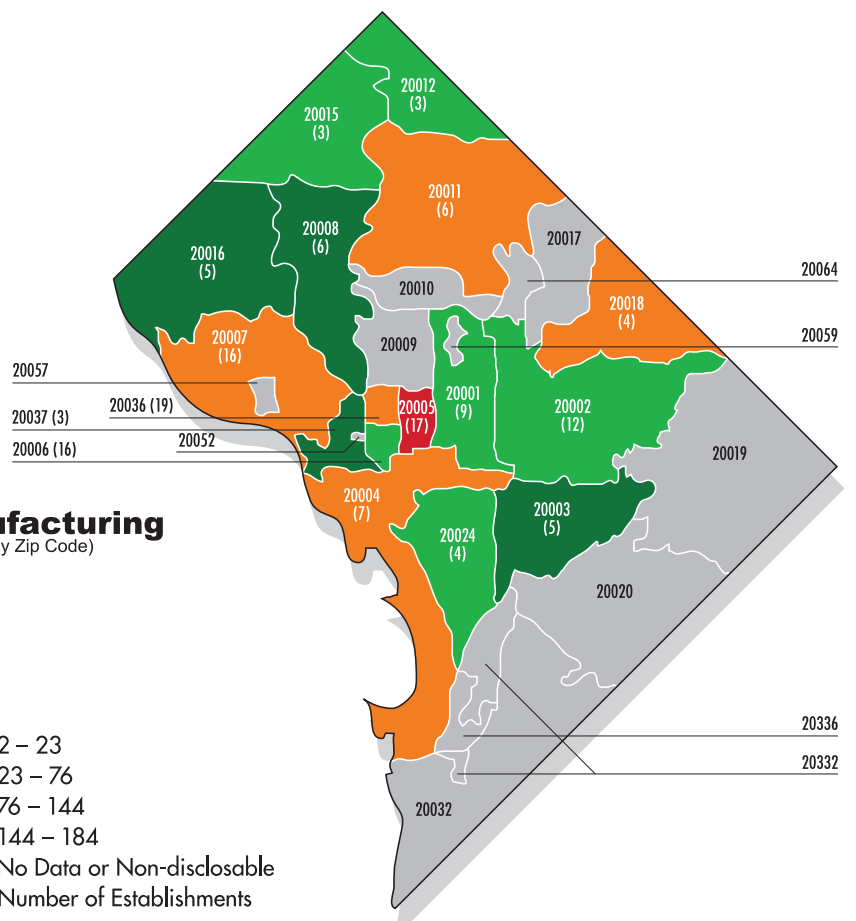


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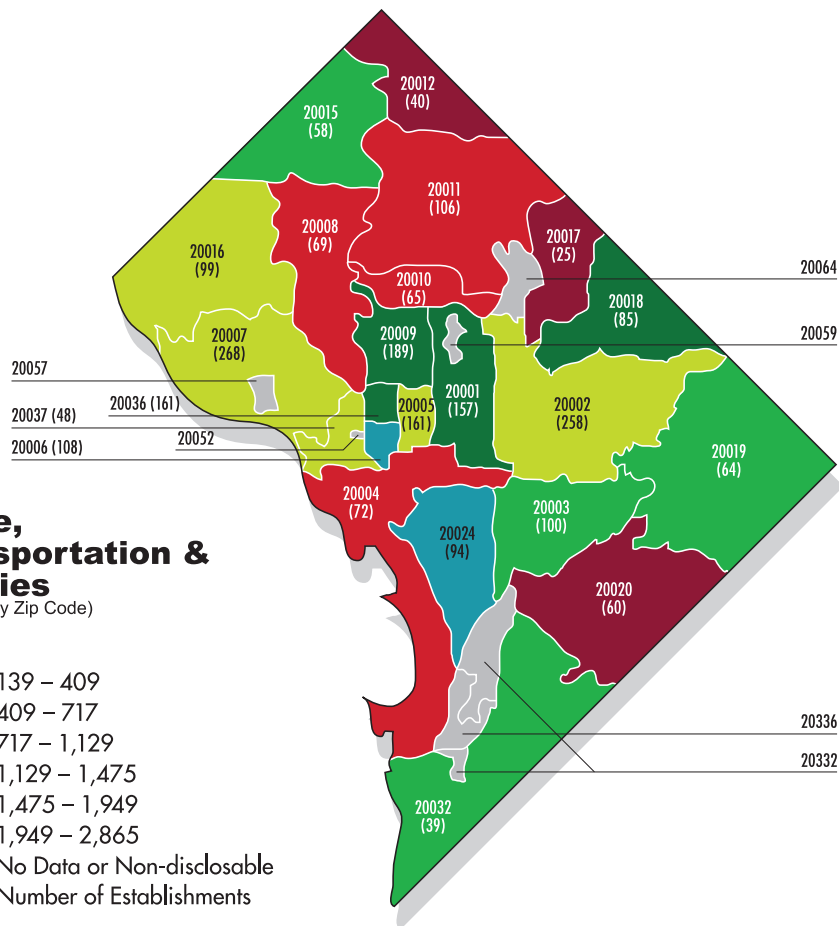


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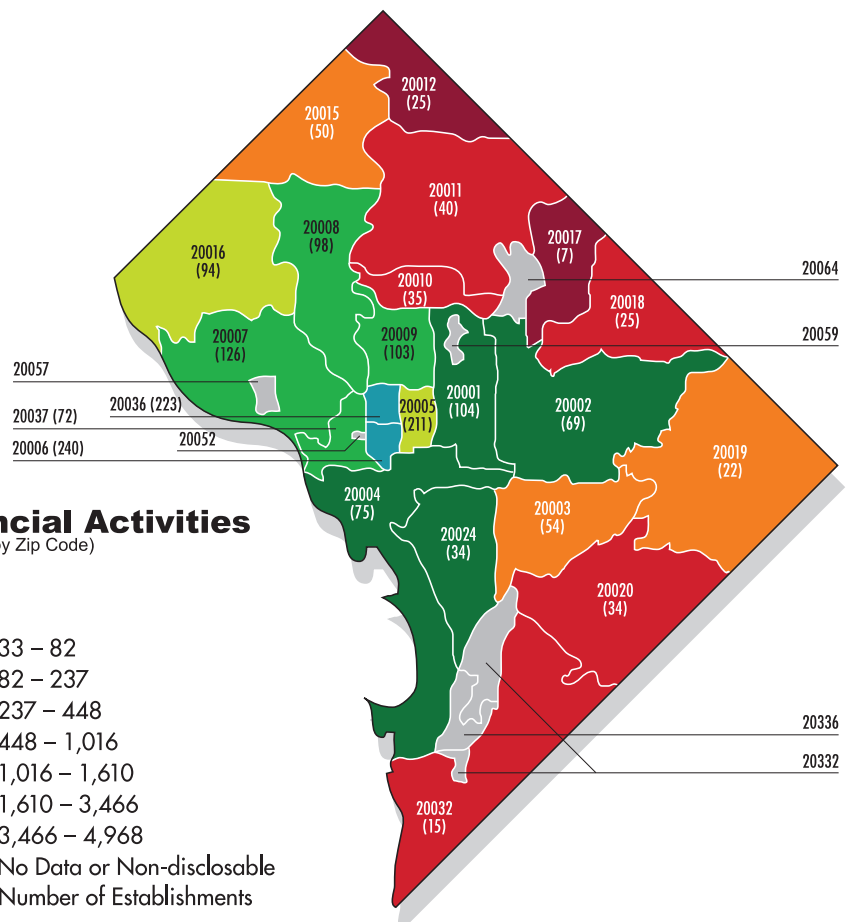
Covered employment and wages are based on unemployment insurance tax reports of employers subject to unemployment insurance laws. These tables are generated from statistics produced by the District of Columbia's Covered Employment and Wages (ES-202) Program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics. They provide information about the basic industrial profile of the District's economy. The data are generated and published quarterly and annually. For more information, see page 14.

SECTOR / INDUSTRY		THIRD QUARTER 2008 */						
	NAICS CODE **/	NUMBER OF REPORTING UNITS	EMPLOYMENT			QUARTERLY AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	TOTAL WAGES	AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE PER WORKER
			JUL.	AUG.	SEP.			
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES		33,809	695,852	690,921	692,419	693,064	\$12,521,528,867	\$1,390
GOVERNMENT SECTOR		335	234,292	231,487	232,376	232,718	\$4,853,441,726	\$1,604
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		294	196,998	195,333	194,511	195,614	\$4,188,850,388	\$1,647
STATE GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION		41	37,294	36,154	37,865	37,104	\$664,591,338	\$1,378
PRIVATE SECTOR		33,474	461,560	459,434	460,043	460,346	\$7,668,087,141	\$1,281
GOODS-PRODUCING		1,223	14,686	15,088	14,648	14,807	\$205,351,129	\$1,067
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	11 & 21	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	23	1,033	13,101	13,497	13,088	13,229	\$176,247,679	\$1,025
Construction of buildings	236	452	4,008	4,232	3,833	4,024	\$59,909,404	\$1,145
Residential building construction	2361	257	1,235	1,379	1,173	1,262	\$15,986,341	\$974
Nonresidential building construction	2362	195	2,773	2,853	2,660	2,762	\$43,923,063	\$1,223
Heavy and civil engineering construction	237	90	2,240	2,235	2,285	2,253	\$31,337,666	\$1,070
Utility system construction	2371	23	571	547	608	575	\$7,437,087	\$995
Land Subdivision	2372	36	278	279	281	279	\$6,799,076	\$1,875
Highway, street, and bridge construction	2373	22	1,338	1,356	1,343	1,346	\$16,332,285	\$933
Specialty trade contractors	238	491	6,853	7,030	6,970	6,951	\$85,000,609	\$941
Building foundation and exterior contractors	2381	109	2,342	2,362	2,414	2,373	\$24,450,007	\$793
Building equipment contractors	2382	208	3,043	3,069	3,017	3,043	\$44,807,372	\$1,133
Building finishing contractors	2383	137	1,118	1,232	1,178	1,176	\$11,471,638	\$750
Other specialty trade contractors	2389	37	350	367	361	359	\$4,271,592	\$915
MANUFACTURING	31-33	190	1,585	1,591	1,560	1,579	\$29,103,450	\$1,418
Food manufacturing	311	14	212	213	206	210	\$1,665,686	\$610
Bakeries and tortilla manufacturing	3118	10	200	203	193	199	\$1,556,716	\$602
Textile product mills	314	4	25	23	22	23	\$211,383	\$707
Apparel manufacturing	315	8	15	18	19	17	\$138,305	\$626
Cut and sew apparel manufacturing	3152	8	15	18	19	17	\$138,305	\$626
Printing and related support activities	323	69	556	572	565	564	\$7,591,293	\$1,035
Chemical manufacturing	325	16	153	147	149	150	\$7,281,752	\$3,734
Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturing	3254	11	136	130	131	132	\$6,198,355	\$3,612
Nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing	327	8	117	113	100	110	\$1,254,760	\$877
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	332	6	81	85	86	84	\$1,946,564	\$1,783
Machinery manufacturing	333	5	9	8	9	9	\$178,803	\$1,528
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	334	27	146	144	139	143	\$3,866,552	\$2,080
Electronic instrument manufacturing	3345	4	39	40	38	39	\$921,031	\$1,817
Magnetic media manufacturing & reproduction	3346	8	63	61	63	62	\$1,251,460	\$1,553

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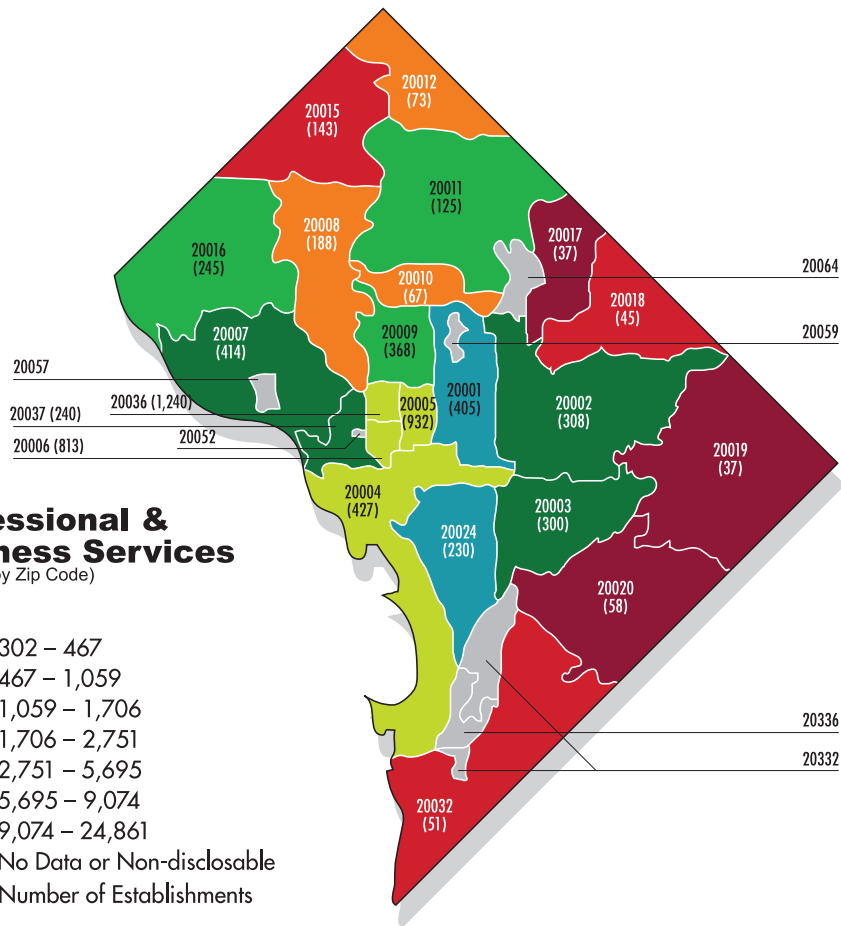


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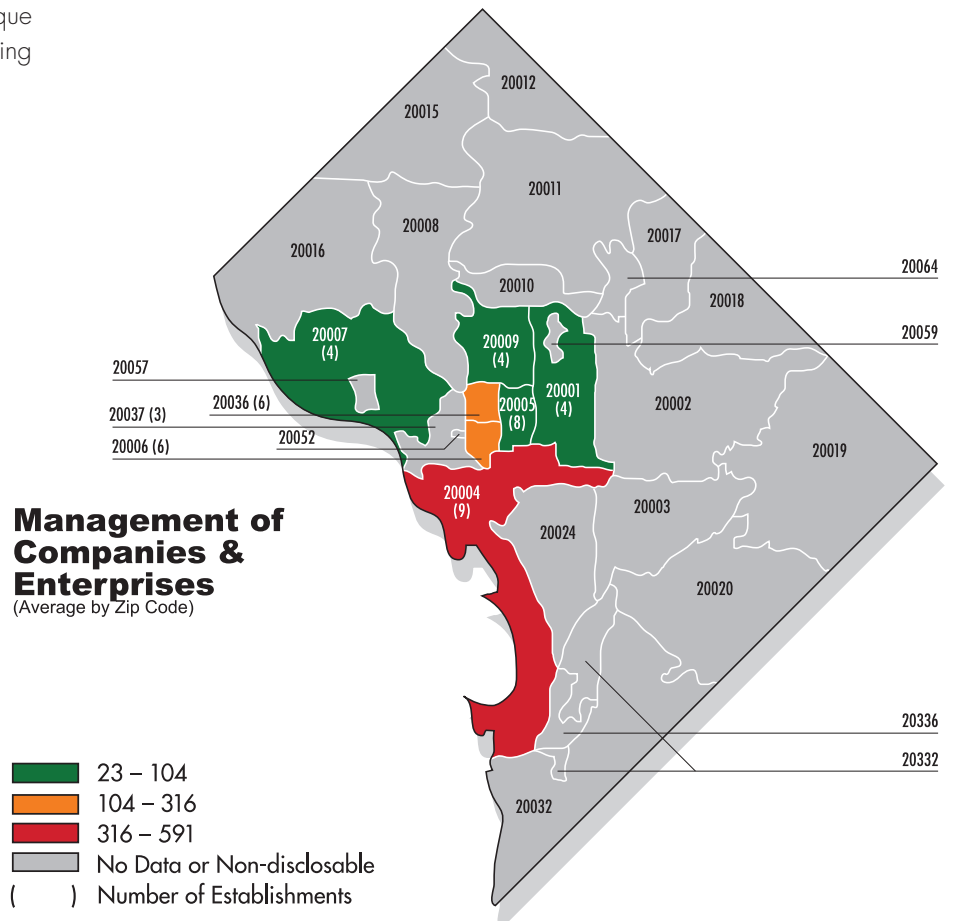


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			JUL.	AUG.	SEP.			
SERVICE-PRODUCING (PRIVATE)		32,251	446,874	444,346	445,395	445,538	\$7,462,736,012	\$1,288
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES		3,365	28,923	28,564	28,624	28,704	\$325,121,220	\$871
WHOLESALE TRADE	42	1,191	5,654	5,586	5,506	5,582	\$115,152,951	\$1,587
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	423	195	2,523	2,495	2,468	2,495	\$53,505,972	\$1,650
Motor vehicle and parts merchant wholesalers	4231	16	107	107	106	107	\$2,594,441	\$1,865
Furniture and furnishing merchant wholesalers	4232	31	90	94	86	90	\$1,649,919	\$1,410
Commercial equip. merchant wholesalers	4234	81	1,581	1,547	1,535	1,554	\$34,222,133	\$1,694
Electric goods merchant wholesalers	4236	15	496	499	491	495	\$10,347,924	\$1,608
Hardware and plumbing merchant wholesalers	4237	14	73	74	74	74	\$1,525,557	\$1,586
Machinery and supply merchant wholesalers	4238	14	75	71	76	74	\$1,720,360	\$1,788
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	424	189	1,861	1,816	1,761	1,813	\$28,254,450	\$1,199
Druggists' goods merchant wholesalers	4242	39	162	156	156	158	\$9,642,669	\$4,695
Apparel and piece goods merchant wholesalers	4243	20	109	134	85	109	\$801,053	\$565
Grocery and related product wholesalers	4244	70	824	772	761	786	\$7,328,225	\$717
Chemical merchant wholesalers	4246	9	35	35	36	35	\$503,267	\$1,106
Alcoholic beverage merchant wholesalers	4248	21	554	539	544	546	\$7,595,908	\$1,070
Misc. nondurable goods merchant wholesalers	4249	21	142	146	148	145	\$1,415,124	\$751
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	425	807	1,270	1,275	1,277	1,274	\$33,392,529	\$2,016
RETAIL TRADE	44-45	1,938	18,723	18,540	18,648	18,637	\$134,107,297	\$554
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	441	47	282	283	283	283	\$2,605,338	\$708
Auto parts, accessories, and tire stores	4413	23	210	214	210	211	\$1,533,483	\$559
Furniture and home furnishings stores	442	110	876	854	837	856	\$7,012,846	\$630
Furniture stores	4421	49	275	273	268	272	\$3,427,288	\$969
Home furnishings stores	4422	61	601	581	569	584	\$3,585,558	\$472
Electronics and appliance stores	443	75	659	630	624	638	\$4,874,408	\$588
Building material and garden supply stores	444	48	754	727	708	730	\$9,892,865	\$1,042
Building material and supplies dealers	4441	42	680	665	644	663	\$5,574,715	\$647
Lawn and garden equipment and supplies stores	4442	6	74	62	64	67	\$4,318,150	\$4,958
Food and beverage stores	445	531	5,720	5,737	5,909	5,789	\$38,600,479	\$513
Grocery stores	4451	320	4,652	4,675	4,814	4,714	\$30,975,842	\$505
Specialty food stores	4452	43	415	419	437	424	\$2,247,525	\$408
Beer, wine, and liquor stores	4453	168	653	643	658	651	\$5,377,112	\$635
Health and personal care stores	446	205	2,405	2,356	2,335	2,365	\$19,400,679	\$631
Gasoline stations	447	77	452	448	449	450	\$2,442,339	\$417
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	448	355	3,494	3,383	3,352	3,410	\$21,517,848	\$485
Clothing stores	4481	245	2,787	2,701	2,686	2,725	\$16,125,290	\$455
Shoe stores	4482	58	481	453	439	458	\$2,602,072	\$437
Jewelry, luggage, and leather goods stores	4483	52	226	229	227	227	\$2,790,486	\$946
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	451	111	1,320	1,369	1,434	1,374	\$6,925,178	\$388
Sporting goods and musical instrument stores	4511	35	383	365	388	379	\$1,853,776	\$376
Book, periodical, and music stores	4512	76	937	1,004	1,046	996	\$5,071,402	\$392
General merchandise stores	452	48	1,262	1,243	1,233	1,246	\$7,455,521	\$460
Department stores	4521	8	995	987	974	985	\$6,150,148	\$480
Other general merchandise stores	4529	40	267	256	259	261	\$1,305,373	\$385
Miscellaneous store retailers	453	286	1,280	1,282	1,269	1,277	\$9,372,743	\$565
Florists	4531	44	237	233	232	234	\$1,773,780	\$583
Office supplies, stationery, and gift stores	4532	118	611	617	603	610	\$4,221,273	\$532
Used merchandise stores	4533	32	113	109	111	111	\$684,537	\$474
Other miscellaneous store retailers	4539	92	319	323	323	322	\$2,693,153	\$643
Nonstore retailers	454	45	219	228	215	221	\$4,007,053	\$1,395
Electronic shopping and mail-order house	4541	35	184	193	191	189	\$3,733,404	\$1,519

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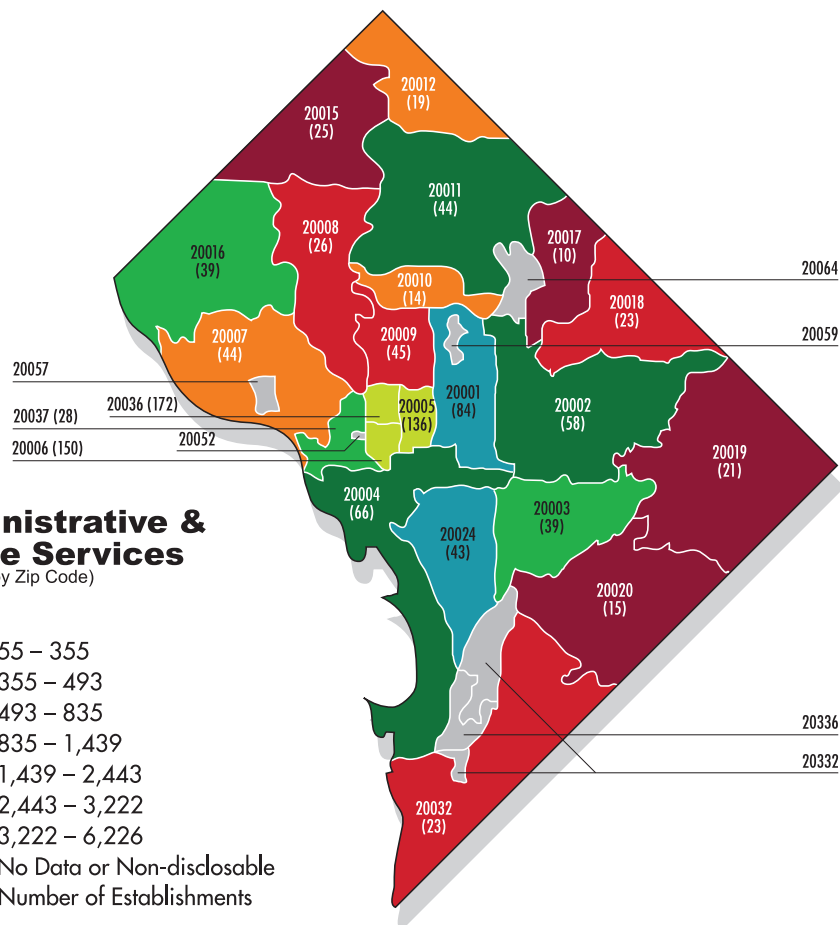


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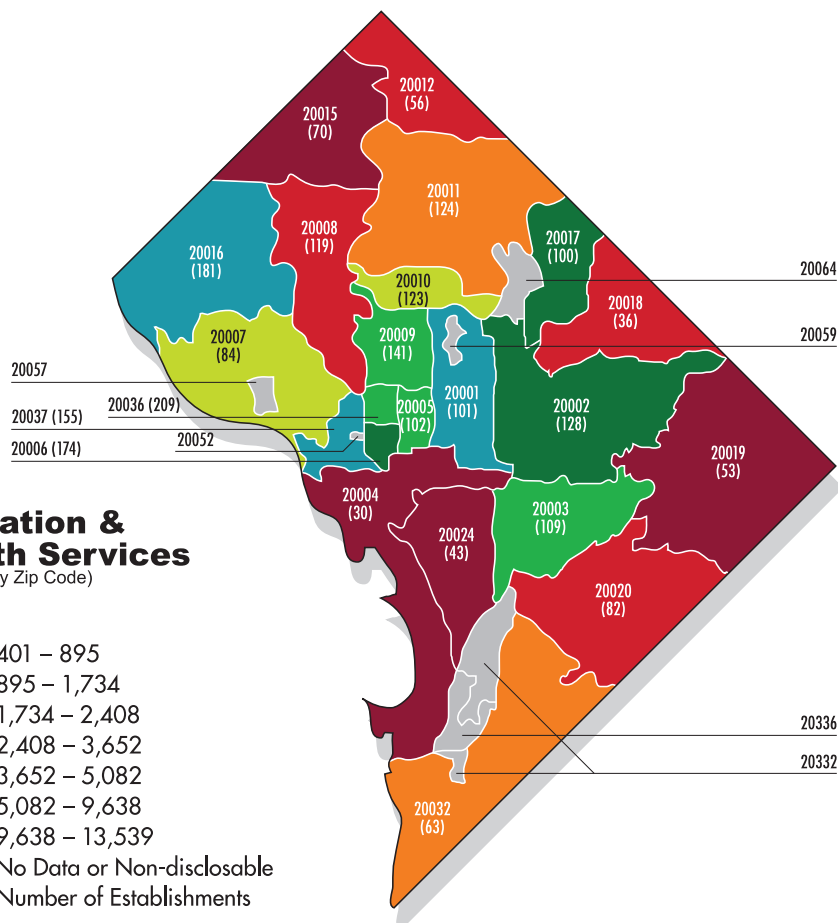


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			JUL.	AUG.	SEP.			
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	48-49	218	2,166	2,077	2,088	2,110	\$23,104,832	\$842
Air transportation	481	28	110	108	108	109	\$2,079,618	\$1,468
Truck transportation	484	40	174	170	157	167	\$1,978,325	\$911
Transit and ground passenger transportation	485	55	751	739	765	752	\$7,137,514	\$730
Taxi and limousine service	4853	24	303	288	322	304	\$3,569,809	\$903
Other ground passenger transportation	4859	21	198	203	179	193	\$1,419,486	\$566
Scenic and sightseeing transportation	487	12	332	276	263	290	\$2,029,661	\$538
Support activities for transportation	488	26	74	74	73	74	\$1,147,726	\$1,193
Support activities for road transportation	4884	9	15	15	17	16	\$215,246	\$1,035
Freight transportation arrangement	4885	11	35	35	35	35	\$780,697	\$1,716
Couriers and messengers	492	44	568	574	581	574	\$7,352,445	\$985
UTILITIES	22	18	2,380	2,361	2,382	2,374	\$52,756,140	\$1,709
INFORMATION	51	925	20,751	20,667	20,412	20,610	\$505,893,158	\$1,888
Publishing industries, except Internet	511	301	7,385	7,276	7,193	7,285	\$172,922,728	\$1,826
Newspaper, book, and directory publishers	5111	258	6,537	6,433	6,368	6,446	\$129,825,656	\$1,549
Software publishers	5112	43	848	843	825	839	\$43,097,072	\$3,951
Motion picture and sound recording industries	512	159	1,263	1,169	1,227	1,220	\$18,472,783	\$1,165
Motion picture and video industries	5121	143	1,237	1,142	1,203	1,194	\$17,901,175	\$1,153
Sound recording industries	5122	16	26	27	24	26	\$571,608	\$1,691
Broadcasting, except Internet	515	91	4,800	4,766	4,725	4,764	\$135,551,463	\$2,189
Telecommunications	517	166	3,532	3,671	3,552	3,585	\$84,764,418	\$1,819
Wired telecommunications carriers	5171	94	1,295	1,442	1,342	1,360	\$27,824,978	\$1,574
ISPs, search portals, and data processing	518	43	771	780	778	776	\$19,155,654	\$1,899
Data processing and related services	5182	43	771	780	778	776	\$19,155,654	\$1,899
Other information services	519	165	3,000	3,005	2,937	2,981	\$75,026,112	\$1,936
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		2,161	27,353	27,346	27,227	27,309	\$620,921,901	\$1,749
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	52	1,122	16,602	16,517	16,432	16,517	\$450,858,606	\$2,100
Credit intermediation and related activities	522	484	8,840	8,845	8,749	8,811	\$202,036,619	\$1,764
Depository credit intermediation	5221	284	4,867	4,881	4,813	4,854	\$76,488,336	\$1,212
Securities, commodity contracts, investment	523	362	3,036	2,947	2,990	2,991	\$141,865,558	\$3,649
Securities and commodity contracts brokers	5231	108	1,417	1,413	1,398	1,409	\$60,701,634	\$3,314
Insurance carriers and related activities	524	224	3,127	3,126	3,114	3,122	\$65,028,769	\$1,602
Insurance carriers	5241	89	2,111	2,114	2,087	2,104	\$38,631,926	\$1,412
Ins. agencies, brokerages, and related activities	5242	135	1,016	1,012	1,027	1,018	\$26,396,843	\$1,995
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	53	1,039	10,751	10,829	10,795	10,792	\$170,063,295	\$1,212
Real estate	531	965	9,616	9,607	9,504	9,576	\$159,640,327	\$1,282
Lessors of real estate	5311	260	2,987	3,020	2,940	2,982	\$34,259,120	\$884
Offices of real estate agents and brokers	5312	251	1,251	1,252	1,249	1,251	\$24,929,691	\$1,533
Activities related to real estate	5313	454	5,378	5,335	5,315	5,343	\$100,451,516	\$1,446
Automotive equipment rental and leasing	5321	24	270	262	250	261	\$2,246,935	\$662
Consumer goods rental	5322	27	143	161	149	151	\$905,105	\$461
General rental centers	5323	3	51	52	59	54	\$718,461	\$1,023
Machinery and equipment rental and leasing	5324	18	671	746	832	750	\$6,548,929	\$672

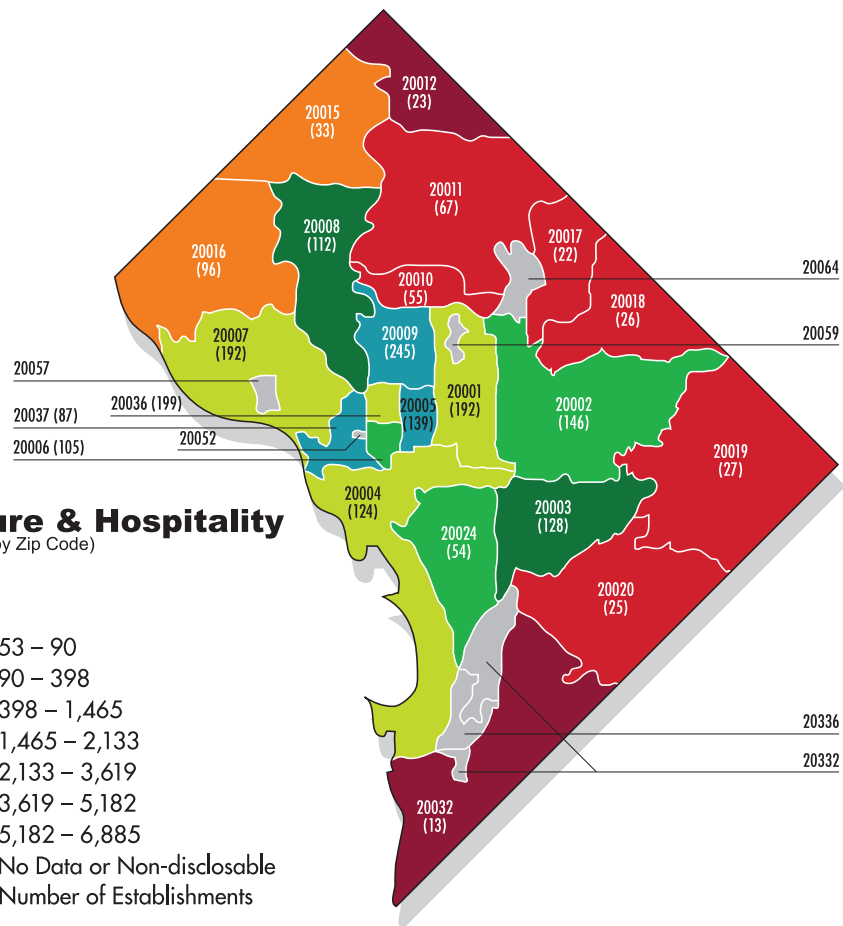
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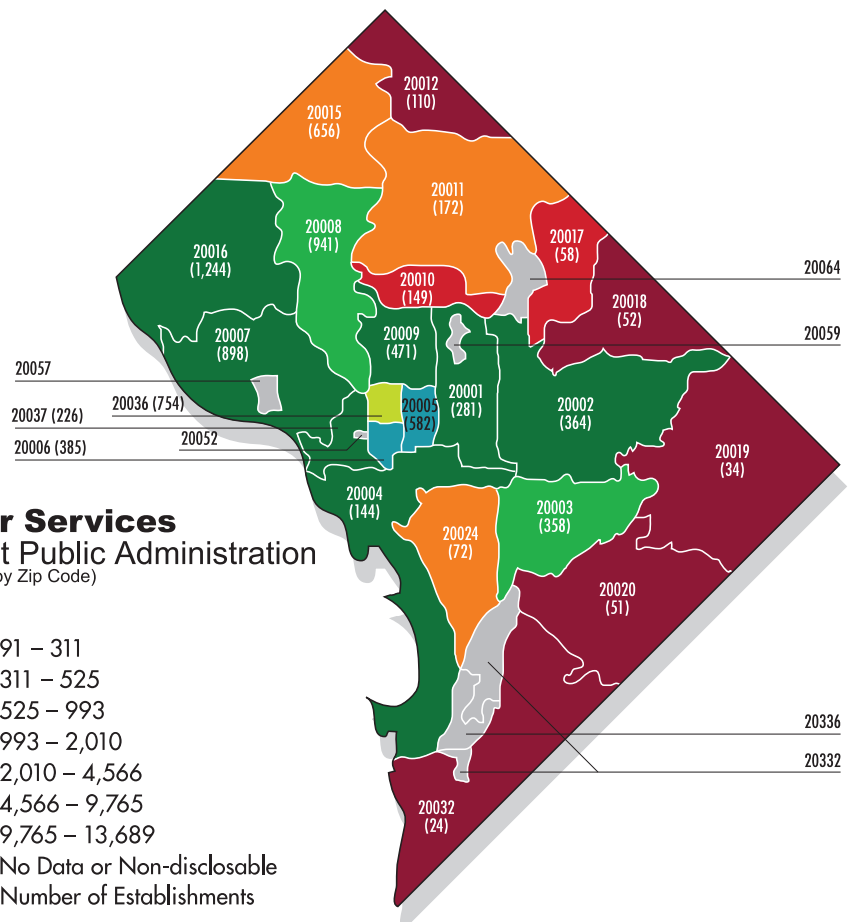
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PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES		9,718	150,029	149,236	148,320	149,195	\$3,219,953,006
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	54	7,728	104,159	103,310	101,840	103,103	\$2,703,132,213
Professional and technical services	541	7,728	104,159	103,310	101,840	103,103	\$2,703,132,213
Legal services	5411	1,424	35,578	34,348	33,698	34,541	\$1,079,956,428
Accounting and bookkeeping services	5412	283	4,479	4,684	4,642	4,602	\$114,069,947
Architectural and engineering services	5413	577	8,495	8,473	8,416	8,461	\$191,099,218
Specialized design services	5414	157	820	816	787	808	\$13,663,052
Computer systems design and related services	5415	1,678	16,895	17,115	16,862	16,957	\$360,182,940
Management and technical consulting services	5416	1,956	15,947	15,973	15,875	15,932	\$399,218,288
Scientific research and development services	5417	479	12,130	12,121	11,984	12,078	\$238,612,238
Advertising and related services	5418	913	7,963	7,913	7,707	7,861	\$252,842,334
Other professional and technical services	5419	261	1,852	1,867	1,869	1,863	\$53,487,768
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	55	73	1,603	1,616	1,576	1,598	\$65,672,777
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	56	1,917	44,267	44,310	44,904	44,494	\$451,148,016
Administrative and support services	561	1,866	43,962	43,928	44,547	44,146	\$447,470,940
Office administrative services	5611	238	4,111	4,168	4,222	4,167	\$72,186,522
Facilities support services	5612	42	2,187	2,170	2,186	2,181	\$24,615,102
Employment services	5613	705	12,685	12,546	13,002	12,744	\$155,271,809
Business support services	5614	186	2,732	2,671	2,673	2,692	\$32,249,581
Travel arrangement and reservation services	5615	153	1,224	1,212	1,232	1,223	\$15,926,611
Investigation and security services	5616	156	8,773	8,931	8,847	8,850	\$82,384,132
Services to buildings and dwellings	5617	308	11,590	11,674	11,775	11,680	\$60,330,090
Other support services	5619	78	660	556	610	609	\$4,507,093
Waste management and remediation services	562	51	305	382	357	348	\$3,677,076
Waste collection	5621	30	196	197	196	196	\$2,173,664
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES		2,519	93,013	93,021	94,588	93,541	\$1,234,168,893
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	61	562	36,632	36,544	38,440	37,205	\$480,258,714
Elementary and secondary schools	6111	126	7,508	7,493	7,948	7,650	\$95,381,302
Colleges and universities	6113	55	24,259	24,558	25,966	24,928	\$332,374,651
Business, computer and management training	6114	66	688	669	662	673	\$9,842,823
Other schools and instruction	6116	121	2,083	1,866	2,041	1,997	\$16,585,718
Educational support services	6117	168	1,948	1,816	1,679	1,814	\$24,484,053
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	62	1,957	56,381	56,477	56,148	56,335	\$753,910,179
Ambulatory health care services	621	1,250	13,308	13,294	13,149	13,250	\$195,106,044
Offices of physicians	6211	557	3,953	3,987	3,981	3,974	\$81,176,378
Offices of dentists	6212	338	1,451	1,498	1,498	1,482	\$23,085,844
Offices of other health practitioners	6213	200	614	596	590	600	\$7,960,698
Outpatient care centers	6214	69	3,570	3,478	3,357	3,468	\$55,674,003
Medical and diagnostic laboratories	6215	29	207	210	205	207	\$4,466,067
Home health care services	6216	35	3,007	3,031	3,019	3,019	\$17,569,014
Other ambulatory health care services	6219	22	506	494	499	500	\$5,174,040
Hospitals	622	18	24,570	24,714	24,722	24,669	\$374,267,730
General medical and surgical hospitals	6221	13	23,749	23,881	23,904	23,845	\$365,378,388
Nursing and residential care facilities	623	137	6,937	7,038	6,926	6,967	\$54,069,227
Nursing care facilities	6231	18	1,926	1,962	1,936	1,941	\$15,199,391
Residential mental health facilities	6232	61	1,299	1,315	1,284	1,299	\$8,797,223
Community care facilities for the elderly	6233	20	2,480	2,492	2,468	2,480	\$20,687,273
Other residential care facilities	6239	38	1,232	1,269	1,238	1,246	\$9,385,340
Social assistance	624	552	11,566	11,431	11,351	11,449	\$130,467,178
Individual and family services	6241	230	3,278	3,187	3,092	3,186	\$30,732,648
Emergency and other relief services	6242	69	3,131	3,062	3,032	3,075	\$51,467,906
Vocational rehabilitation services	6243	74	2,498	2,500	2,522	2,507	\$29,966,391
Child day care services	6244	179	2,659	2,682	2,705	2,682	\$18,300,233



Note: Employment of establishments with unique zip codes is included in the corresponding standard zip codes



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	NAICS CODE **/	NUMBER OF REPORTING UNITS	EMPLOYMENT			QUARTERLY AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	TOTAL WAGES	AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE PER WORKER
			JUL.	AUG.	SEP.			
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY		2,413	59,334	58,681	59,525	59,180	\$443,158,691	\$576
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	71	353	7,197	7,049	7,215	7,154	\$95,641,258	\$1,028
Performing arts and spectator sports	711	223	3,594	3,506	3,743	3,614	\$71,809,212	\$1,528
Performing arts companies	7111	68	1,141	1,031	1,302	1,158	\$9,150,241	\$608
Spectator sports	7112	10	1,217	1,230	1,102	1,183	\$51,268,580	\$3,334
Promoters of performing arts and sports	7113	37	968	979	1,047	998	\$6,493,765	\$501
Agents and managers for public figures	7114	19	72	69	73	71	\$1,525,542	\$1,653
Independent artists, writers, and performers	7115	89	196	197	219	204	\$3,371,084	\$1,271
Museums, historical sites, zoos, and parks	712	23	1,207	1,193	1,144	1,181	\$11,729,422	\$764
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	713	107	2,396	2,350	2,328	2,358	\$12,102,624	\$395
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	72	2,060	52,137	51,632	52,310	52,026	\$347,517,433	\$514
Accommodation	721	132	15,163	14,952	15,181	15,099	\$145,735,823	\$742
Food services and drinking places	722	1,928	36,974	36,680	37,129	36,928	\$201,781,610	\$420
Full-service restaurants	7221	681	19,062	19,067	19,139	19,089	\$113,794,587	\$459
Limited-service eating places	7222	964	11,359	11,241	11,427	11,342	\$51,721,757	\$351
Special food services	7223	192	5,105	4,879	5,050	5,011	\$29,127,577	\$447
Drinking places, alcoholic beverages	7224	91	1,448	1,493	1,513	1,485	\$7,137,689	\$370
OTHER SERVICES, EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	81	8,884	63,276	62,508	62,387	62,724	\$1,042,753,242	\$1,279
Repair and maintenance	811	167	683	672	670	675	\$5,911,283	\$674
Automotive repair and maintenance	8111	108	468	467	469	468	\$3,621,536	\$595
Personal and laundry services	812	662	6,254	6,244	6,267	6,255	\$44,413,213	\$546
Personal care services	8121	261	1,645	1,633	1,647	1,642	\$14,495,707	\$679
Death care services	8122	27	173	179	168	173	\$1,443,234	\$642
Drycleaning and laundry services	8123	147	747	756	769	757	\$4,697,723	\$477
Other personal services	8129	227	3,689	3,676	3,683	3,683	\$23,776,549	\$497
Membership associations and organization	813	3,112	51,626	50,858	50,670	51,051	\$967,175,711	\$1,457
Religious organizations	8131	150	2,151	2,010	1,998	2,053	\$24,177,812	\$906
Grantmaking and giving services	8132	381	4,021	3,972	3,956	3,983	\$69,993,481	\$1,352
Social advocacy organizations	8133	1,116	13,900	13,539	13,694	13,711	\$224,547,664	\$1,260
Civic and social organizations	8134	227	4,013	3,798	3,712	3,841	\$45,534,433	\$912
Professional and similar organizations	8139	1,238	27,541	27,539	27,310	27,463	\$602,922,321	\$1,689
Private households	814	4,943	4,713	4,734	4,780	4,742	\$25,253,035	\$410
UNCLASSIFIED ESTABLISHMENTS	99	2,266	4,195	4,323	4,312	4,277	\$70,765,901	\$1,273

Note: Third quarter 2008, as presented in this publication, is preliminary and based on information compiled and collected through February 2009. Latest available data on covered employment and wages for the whole year 2008 will be presented in a separate publication. Details may not equal totals because some confidential or non-disclosable data are not shown in this publication. Industries for which data are confidential are not shown. Some non-confidential data are also not included if they can be used to derive confidential data within an industry or sector.

** NAICS is North American Industry Classification Code. See appendix for more information on NAICS.

*** In some cases wages are affected by seasonal changes in business activity, the number of weeks or hours worked, if pay periods are greater or less than usual, and if extra compensation is given in the form of bonuses, profits distributed, or other unidentified lump-sum payments.

a/ Wages include bonuses, executive pay, profits distributed, or unidentified lump-sum payments.

b/ More business / expansion.

c/ More hours worked; number of pay periods greater than usual.

d/ Pay returns or returning to normal.

Nature & Limitations of the Data on Covered Employment & Wages

Coverage

Jobs that are exempt or otherwise not covered by unemployment insurance are not included in covered employment. In the private sector, this includes certain wage and salary of agricultural employees, self-employed farmers, selfemployed nonagricultural workers, domestic workers and unpaid family workers. Workers covered by the railroad unemployment insurance system and members of the military, including those stationed in the United States, are also excluded. Certain types of nonprofit employers, such as religious organizations, are given a choice of coverage or exclusion in a number of states, so data for their employees are reported to a limited degree. The District of Columbia includes nonprofit employers such as religious organizations in its covered employment and wage data.

The strength of covered employment data is its comprehensiveness, which results in more accurate data and substantial industry detail. A limitation to the covered data is that it is not as timely as other data series such as the Current Employment Statistics data, which is based on a monthly survey of a smaller number of reporters.

Industrial Classification

Covered employment and wage data from 1975 through 1987 were coded according to the 1972 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual. From 1988 forward, covered data were coded according to the 1987 SIC Manual. Beginning with data for First Quarter 2001, covered data are collected and made available under both the 1987 SIC Manual and the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). NAICS represents a change in the conceptual framework of establishment classification. Unlike the SIC system, which classifies establishments by type of activity in which they are primarily engaged, NAICS is based on a productionoriented or supply-based conceptual framework. This conceptual framework groups establishments into industries according to similarity in the processes used to produce goods or services. Full implementation of NAICS by federal statistical agencies will take place over the course of several years. After NAICS completely replaces the SIC system, dual reporting will no longer be done. Covered employment and wages data will eventually be compiled and classified according to NAICS.

Purposes and Uses

Covered employment data are instrumental in determining federal allocations of program grants to state and local governments. These outputs serve as the basic source of benchmark information for employment by industry and employment by size of establishment in the Current Employment Statistics program, the Occupational Employment Statistics program and the Occupational Safety and Health Statistics program. The Bureau of Economic Analysis of the U.S. Department of Commerce uses this data as a base for estimating a large part of the wage and salary component of personal income accounts. The Social Security Administration and state governments also use covered data in updating economic assumptions and forecasting trends in their taxable wage base. Businesses, as well as public and private research organizations find the covered employment statistics to be one of the best sources of detailed employment and wage information.

Covered employment and wages are also used in other programs and activities of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Covered employment data have broad significance in evaluating labor trends and major industry developments. They are used in time series analysis, industry comparisons, and in special studies such as analysis of wage by size of establishment. Covered employment and wage data are used by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration and various state employment security agencies in administering the employment security program.

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

NAICS (pronounced “nakes”) is the new North American Industry Classification System. It replaces the decades-old Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. It provides a better way to classify individual businesses.

Background

For more than 60 years, the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system has served as the structure for the collection, aggregation, presentation and analysis of the U.S. economy. An industry consists of a group of establishments primarily engaged in producing or handling the same product or group of products or in rendering the same services. Industry definitions used in U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics programs come from the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual. Because the SIC is used by many other federal government statistical programs, it is possible for users to assemble a comprehensive statistical picture of an industry. The SIC system was developed in the 1930's at a time when manufacturing dominated the U.S. economic scene. Over the last 60 years, there have been numerous revisions to the SIC system, reflecting the economy's changing industrial composition. However, despite these revisions, the system has received increasing criticism about its ability to handle rapid changes in the U.S. economy. Recent developments in information services, new forms of health care provision, expansion of services and hightech manufacturing are examples of industrial changes that cannot be studied under the current SIC system.

Introducing NAICS

Developed by the United States, in cooperation with Canada and Mexico, the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) represents one of the most profound changes for statistical programs focusing on emerging economic activities. NAICS, developed using a production-oriented conceptual framework, groups establishments into industries based on the activity in which they are primarily engaged. Establishments using similar raw material inputs, similar capital equipment and similar labor are classified in the same industry. In other words, establishments that do similar things in similar ways are classified together. NAICS provides a new tool that ensures that economic statistics reflect our nation's changing economy. However, improved statistics will result in time series breaks. Every sector of the economy has been restructured and redefined. A new information sector combines communications, publishing, motion picture and sound recording and online services, recognizing our information-based economy. Manufacturing is restructured to recognize new hightech industries. A new sub-sector is devoted to computers and electronics, including reproduction of software. Retail Trade is redefined. In addition, eating and drinking places are transferred to a new Accommodation and Food Services sector. The difference between Retail and Wholesale is now based on how each store conducts business. For example, many computer stores are reclassified from wholesale to retail. Nine new service sectors and 250 new service industries are recognized.

Why is NAICS better?

Relevancy. NAICS identifies more industries that contribute to today's economy; more than 350 new industries and nine new service industry sectors. The Manufacturing sector is restructured to recognize new high-tech industries.

Comparability. NAICS was developed by the United States, Canada and Mexico to produce comparable data. Consistency. NAICS uses a consistent principle: businesses that use similar production processes are grouped together.

Adaptability. NAICS will be reviewed every five years, so classifications and information keep up with our changing economy.

Quality. NAICS will improve key measures of U.S. economic activity such as retail sales, manufacturers' shipments, and service industry receipts.

NAICS Coding Structure

NAICS uses a six digit hierarchical coding system to classify all economic activity into 20 industry sectors. Five sectors are mainly goods-producing sectors and 15 are entirely services-producing sectors. This six digit hierarchical structure allows greater coding flexibility than the four digit structure of the SIC. NAICS allows for the identification of 1,170 industries compared to the 1,004 found in the SIC system.

Sources of information on NAICS:

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
U.S. Bureau of the Census

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